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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Confirmation No. 9700  
Yuko ARAI et al. :  
Serial No. 09/204,142 : Group Art Unit: 2611  
Filed: December 3, 1998 : Examiner: Hunter B. LONSBERRY  
For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR REPAIRING AND TRANSMITTING  
ELECTRONIC PROGRAM INFORMATION AND APPARATUS FOR PRODUCING  
ELECTRONIC PROGRAM GUIDE FROM ELECTRONIC PROGRAM  
INFORMATION

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Dear Sir:

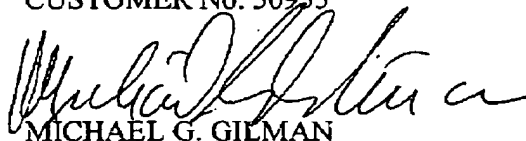
An RCE was filed in the above referenced patent application on November 29, 2005. Having received nothing from the Patent Office acknowledging the filing of the RCE, an Inquiry into the Status of this application was filed on December 6, 2006. A further Inquiry into the Status of this application was filed August 9, 2007. To date we have received no information concerning the prosecution of this application since the RCE was filed in 2005, more than two (2) years ago.

Kindly advise us of the status of this application and an indication of when we can expect to receive a new Office Action in this application.

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